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1. The drawings were received on 4/17/06. These drawings are acceptable

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows: Claim 6, line 5 language of "comprising" changed to -- connecting -- to correct spelling.

Claims 3,13-16,21-30 cancelled as drawn to nonelected invention.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory D. Thompson whose telephone number is (571) 272-2045. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Thr..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lynn Feild can be reached on (571) 272-2800,ext. 35. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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